

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Erwin Weh et al.  
App. No : 10/506,361  
Filed : May 16, 2005  
For : CONNECTING COUPLING WITH A  
SLIDING SLEEVE AND COLLET  
CHUCKS  
Examiner : Jay R. Ripley  
Art Unit : 3679  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2008, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and comments in connection with the above-captioned application. Changes to the pending claims have been identified with underlining to indicate insertions and by strikethrough or brackets to indicate deletions.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.